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The VAMOX™ System

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Pittsburgh, PA

We made a commitment to
clean up our carbon footprint





Two ways to make it happen



Mandatory



Voluntary



In either case one can...



**Pay someone
to do it for him**



**Get paid to do it
for someone**



Carbon market

Sales of emission offsets
totaled **13,6 \$billion** in 2007,
up **109%** from 2006*

*source: World Bank, 2008

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Carbon credits market value

Mandatory: **19,4 \$/tCO₂e***

Voluntary: **6,1 \$/tCO₂e[†]**

*source: European Climate Exchange, 2008/10/28

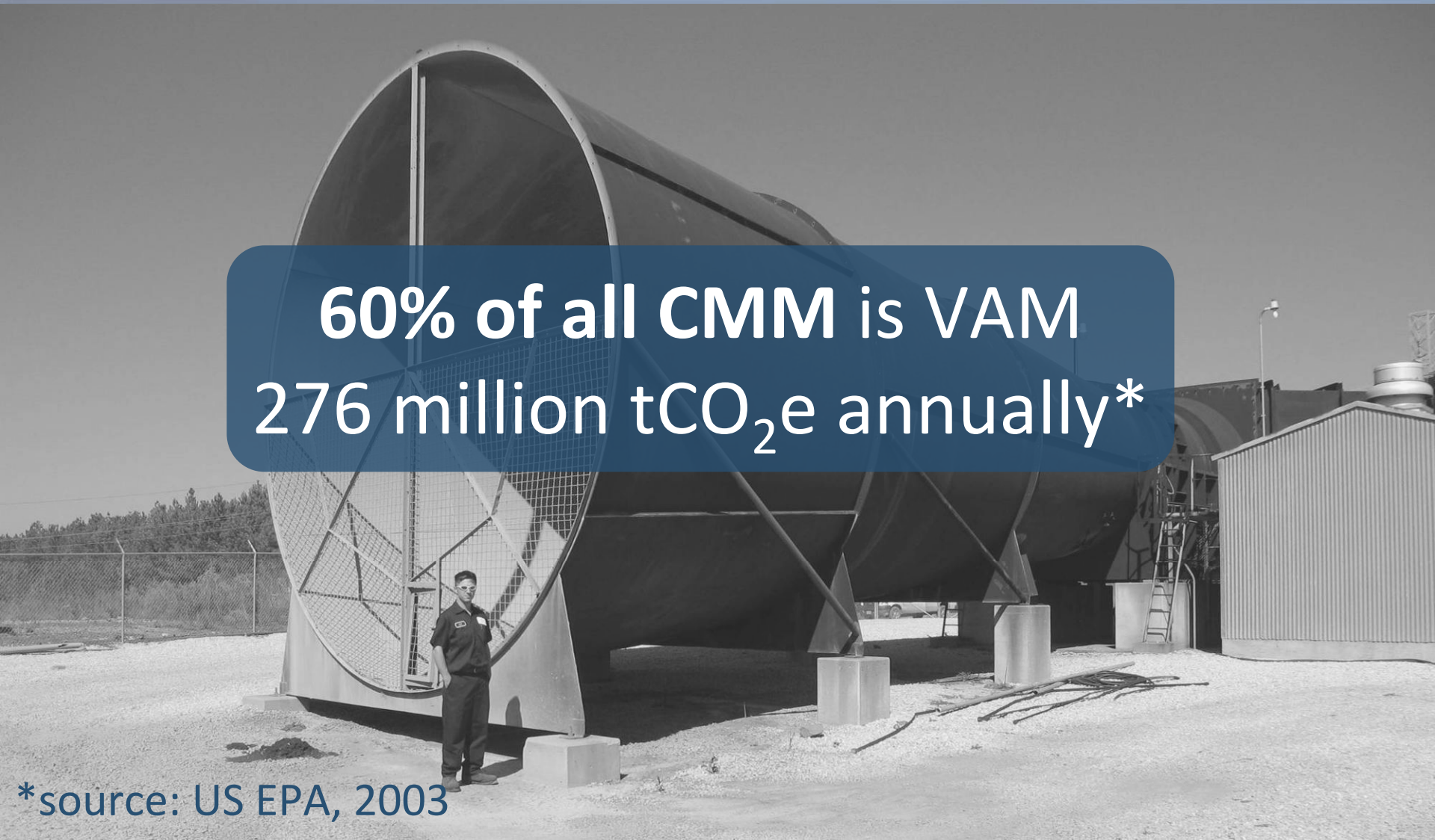
[†] source: Ecosystem Marketplace / New Carbon Finance, 2008

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Ventilation air methane

**60% of all CMM is VAM
276 million tCO₂e annually***



*source: US EPA, 2003



Potential VAM market



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**403 million\$
annually***

*source: US EPA, 2003 & 10 \$/tCO₂e

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Typical case study

One shaft

(300 000 ft³/min @ 0,5% methane)

can generate **2,5 \$million/year***

*10 \$/tCO₂e

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How can you tap into VAM?





The VAMOX™ system

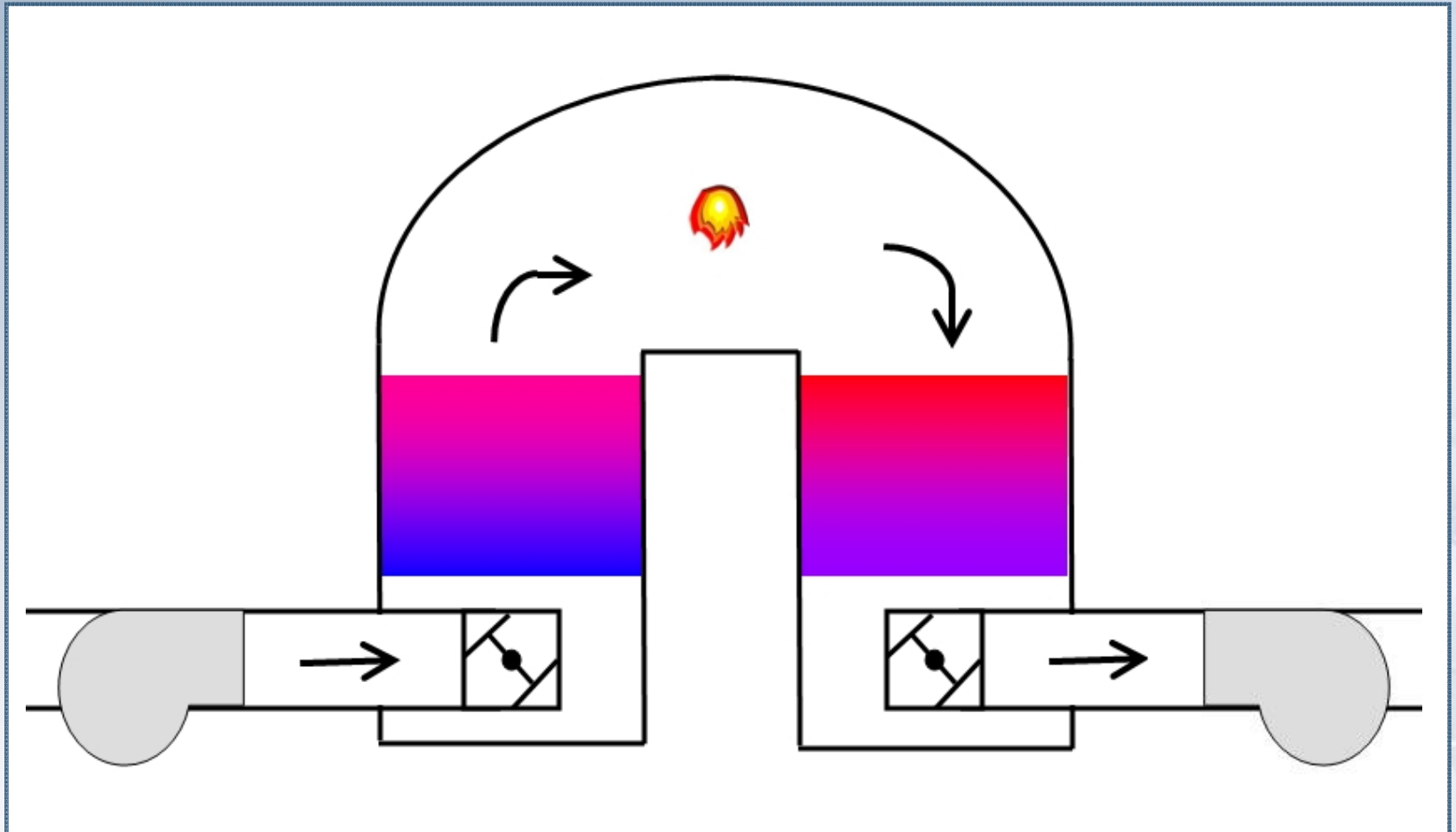
- Highly **efficient** regenerative thermal oxidizer (RTO)
- Inspired by **BIOTOX®** air pollution control solution



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Regenerative thermal oxidation





BIOTOX[®] experience

- Since **1993**
- Leader of **non-traditional** applications
- Processes **condensable gases**
(pitch & tar fumes)
- **Award** winner from



AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION



VAM is simple for Biothermica



pitch & tar



methane



VAMOX™ highlights

- Large unit capacity **minimizes capex**
(100 000 ft³/min)
- Unique design **prevents overheat**
(up to 1,2% CH₄)
- As low as **0,2% CH₄**
- **Proven reliability**
- **20 years service life**



VAMOX™ highlights

- Up to 98% CH₄ destruction
- **Automated** operation
- **Remote monitoring** & diagnostic
- Pneumatic damper actuators
- **Minimum maintenance**
(2 days per year down time)



Safety considerations



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Not connected to mine ventilation system





No flammable gas mixture can enter the VAMOX™





Developer's considerations





Methane level matters most

installed capacity = **capex**

methane level = **revenues**



0,3% CH₄



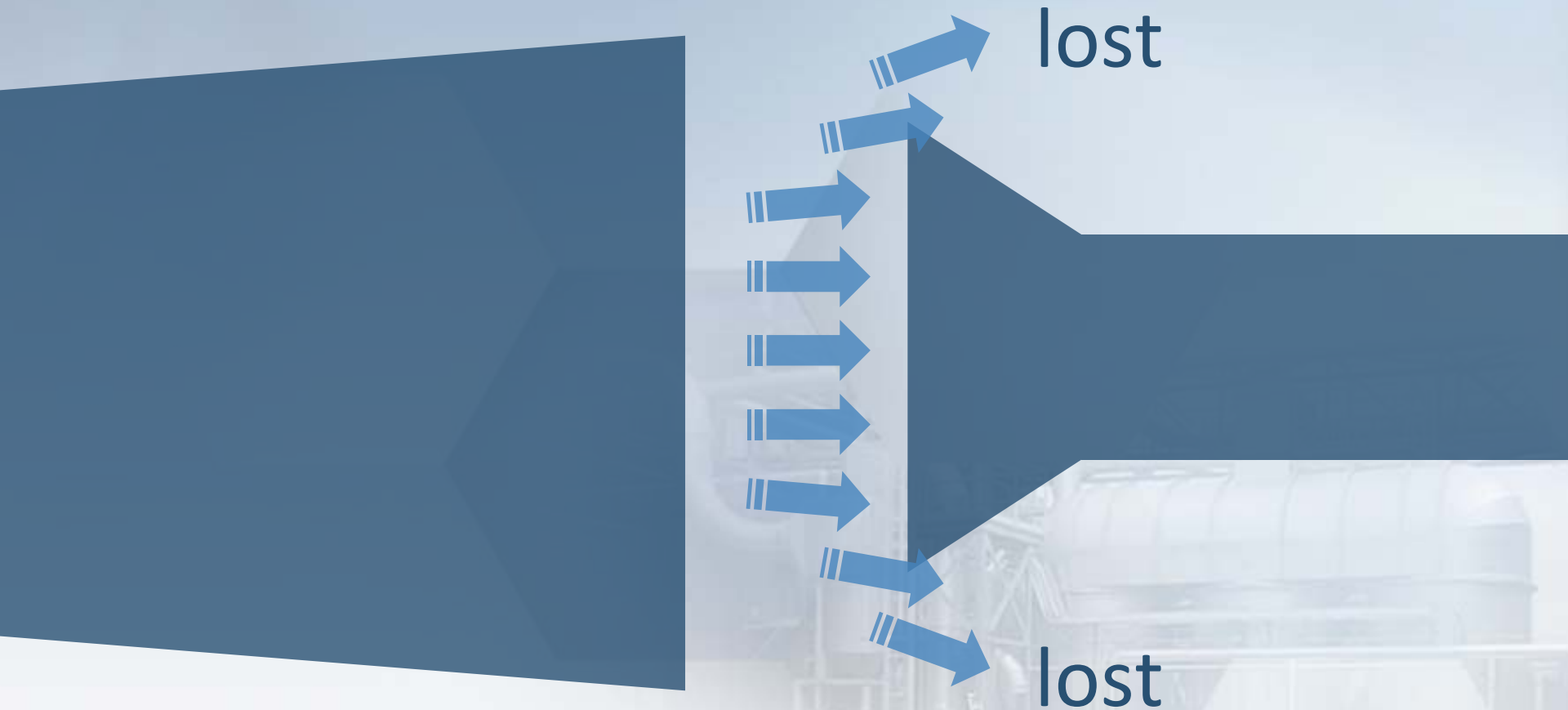
0,5% CH₄



0,7% CH₄



No direct connection implies partial air capture





Shaft service life

Consider it,
moving is **expensive**



You need room

Largest VAMOX™ & accessories
takes up a **basketball court**





Use CMM if available



Feed the start-up burner &
regularize methane % of VAM



Local need for thermal energy?



Beyond 0,3% CH₄
the VAMOX™ can
produce **hot water**
or low-grade **steam**

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1st demonstration project

- Partnership with

Jim Walter resources, inc.
BLUE CREEK COAL - BROOKWOOD, ALABAMA

- Active mine no. 4
- 0,8% CH₄ average
- **Approved by MSHA**
as part of the
ventilation plan



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Demonstration project highlights

- **30 000 ft³/min***
- Accepts **0,4 to 1,2% CH₄**
- Fan uses 55 to 75 kW
- Propane fed burner (start-up only)
- **≈40 000 tCO₂e every year**
(Voluntary Carbon Standard, **VCS**)

*10% of available

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Schedule is on track

2008

April

MSHA approval

May – June

Detailed design

July – Oct.

Fabrication & acquisition

Nov. – Dec.

Installation & dry run

2009

January

Commissioning



Vessel & insulated duct





Electricity & controls cabinet





Oxidation chamber loading





Project site





Who is...



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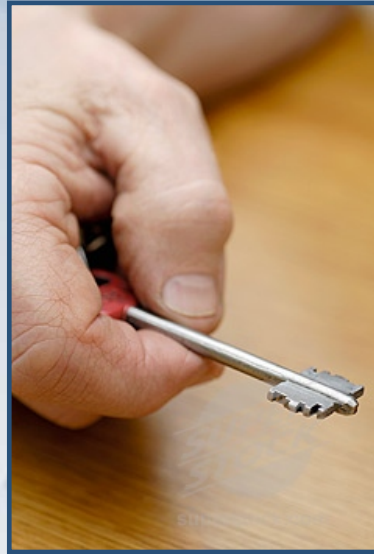
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Biothermica's expertise



build



own



operate



(transfer)

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Project developer since 1987



air pollution
control



landfill gas

clean
energy



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